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For: HAIR TREATMENT PROCESS FOR )  
SMOOTHING THE HAIR )

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)**

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached Form PTO 1449. To the undersigned's knowledge, this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits for the above-referenced application.

Copies of the listed documents (excluding the cited U.S. Patent Applications and U.S. Patent Publications) are attached. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached 1449 form.

With respect to the non-English language documents, Applicants submit the following remarks:

1. **EP 0 699 430** - This document is believed to be related to U.S. Patent No. 6,076,530.
2. **EP 0 774 248** - An abstract of the disclosure of this document can be found in the English language Derwent Abstract submitted herewith.
3. **JP 2001-72557** - An English language translation of this document is submitted herewith.
4. **WO 97/15272** - This document is believed to be related to U.S. Patent No. 6,303,110.

Applicants have enclosed a copy of the priority application's French Search Report for the Examiner's consideration.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that each or all of the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." If the Examiner applies any of the documents as prior art against any claim in the application and Applicants determine that the cited documents do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, Applicants reserve the right to present to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such documents.

Applicants further reserves the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should one or more of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

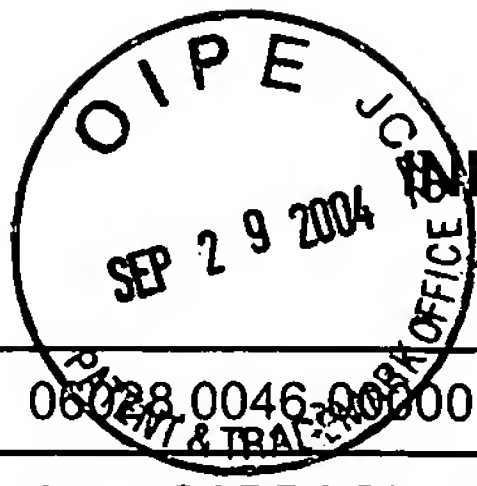
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Respectfully submitted,

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**U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**

Examiner Initial*		Document Number	Date	Name	Class	Sub Class	Filing Date If Appropriate
	1	6,076,530	Jun. 20, 2000	Braida-Valerio et al.			
	2	6,303,110 B1	Oct. 16, 2001	Maubru et al.			

**FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

		Document Number	Date	Country	Class	Sub Class	Translation Yes or No
	3	EP 0 669 430 A1	Mar. 6, 1996	Europe			No
	4	EP 0 774 248 A1	May 21, 1997	Europe			Abstract
	5	EP 1 277 459 A1	Jan. 22, 2003	Europe			
	6	JP 2001-72557	Mar. 21, 2001	Japan			Yes
	7	WO 97/15272	May 1, 1997	PCT			No

**OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)**

	8	English language Derwent Abstract of EP 0 774 248 A1, May 21, 1997.

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